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SUBJECT: FY-2005 IVP Nomination - Principal candidate
Ms. Ayaan Hirsi Ali

1. Post is pleased to nominate Ms. Ayaan Hirsi Ali as a principal candidate for an FY-2005 IVP grant, excluding international travel benefits.

2. START FIXED-FORMAT TEXT (PLEASE DO NOT EDIT):
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START NOMINATION:

ECA-OFFICE: E/VGE

PROG-AGENCY-NAME:

POST-PROJ-ID: 155

ECA-PROJ-NO:

PROJ-NAME: Hirsi Ali, Ayaan

START MEMO PROJ-DESC:

END MEMO PROJ-DESC:

PROJ-TYPE: Individual

PROG-TYPE: IV Grant Visitor

FY: 2005

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STATUS: N

ORIGINATOR: P

SUBJ-DISC: Foreign Policy

START BIO:

PREFIX: Ms.

F-NAME: Ayaan

M-NAME:

L-NAME: Hirsi Ali

SUFFIX:

POSITION-CODE: 0

PRINCIPAL?: Yes

M-ADDR1: Second Chamber of Parliament

M-ADDR2: VVD Faction

M-ADDR3: P.O. Box 20018

M-CITY: 2500 EA The Hague

M-STATE:

M-CNTRY: Netherlands

M-ZONE:

M-ZIP:

M-PHONE: 31-70-318-2211

M-FAX:

M-EMAIL: a.hirsiAli@tweedekamer.nl

M-CNTRY-ID: NL

M-ADDRTYPE: B

GENDER: F

DOB: 11/13/1969

MAR-STAT: S

BIRTH-CITY: Mogadishu

BIRTH-CNTRY: Somalia

CITIZ-CNTRY: Netherlands

RES-CNTRY: Netherlands

START MEMO POSITION:

Member of Parliament for the VVD (Liberal) Party (since January 2003)

END MEMO POSITION:

START MEMO OTHER-POSITIONS:

Principal spokesperson on integration issues, as well as
spokesperson on terrorism, aid, European Affairs, women's
issues, discrimination and anti-Semitism
END MEMO OTHER-POSITIONS:
START MEMO PREV-POSITIONS:
Interpreter (1995-2001);
Researcher at Labor Party Research Bureau (April 2001-Nov.
2002);
Staffer of VVD parliamentary Group (Nov. 2002-Jan. 2003);

END MEMO PREV-POSITIONS:
START MEMO US-TRAVEL:
A weekend in New York; a week in Hawaii; and six weeks in
hiding in LA when her life was threatened in the Netherlands
END MEMO US-TRAVEL:
START MEMO OTHER-TRAVEL:
Europe
END MEMO OTHER-TRAVEL:
START MEMO EDUCATION:
MA in Political Science from Leiden University
END MEMO EDUCATION:
START MEMO MEMBERSHIPS:

END MEMO MEMBERSHIPS:
START MEMO PUBLICATIONS:
Columnist of de Volkskrant (national daily)
END MEMO PUBLICATIONS:
START MEMO SPEC-CONSID:

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NOMINATING-OFFICER: Mary Daly
START MEMO NOMINATING-JUSTIFICATION:
Hirsi Ali has only been a member of parliament since January
2003 but has quickly become one of the principal opinion
makers in the Netherlands, especially in the heated debate
on the integration of minorities into Dutch society. She
also has very outspoken views on women's issues and
especially the position of Muslim women in migrant
communities. Being a former Muslim herself, she has strong
views on what she views as anachronistic Islamic traditions
that prevent Muslims from integrating and may fuel
extremism. In all of these areas, Hirsi Ali could learn a
lot from the U.S. experience. Moreover, she has
increasingly been tasked with foreign policy questions,
where her knowledge is limited. As she is likely to remain
a lead player in the Dutch public debate on issues that are
significant to the U.S., it is important that she gains a
better understanding of U.S. views on such issues as
terrorism, attitude towards international organizations,
relations with the EU, discrimination and anti-Semitism, as
well as integration questions, particularly the integration
of migrant women into U.S. society.

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